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1. SUGIHARA'S HOPES THAT DEFENSE DIR GEN YAMANAKA WOULD
MODERATE HIS OPPOSITION TO US POSITION ON STRAITS (REFTEL
PAGE 2) MAY BE DOOMED TO DISAPPOINTMENT. PRESS JUNE 10
CARRIES REPORT OBVIOUSLY BACKGROUNDED IN DEFENSE AGENCY
STATING THAT YAMAZAKI HAS ORDERED HIS AGENCY TO STUDY
STRAITS QUESTION IN LOS CONTEXT. REPORTEDLY, AGENCY VIEW IS
THAT QTE IF FREE PASSAGE IS APPROVED, IT IS CLEAR IT WILL BE
DISADVANTAGEOUS FOR NATIONAL DEFENSE UNQTE. ON OTHER HAND, IF
INNOCENT PASSAGE IS APPROVED, QTE OUR COUNTRY CAN
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HAVE RIGHT TO JUDGE WHETHER SHIPS IN PASSAGE ARE

INNOCENT OR NOT, SUBMARINES WILL BE PLACED UNDER OBLIGATION TO SURFACE AND PASS THROUGH SUCH STRAITS, AND IT WILL BECOME IMPERMISSABLE FOR PLANES TO FLY ABOVE UNQTE.

2. REPORT CONTINUES THAT YAMANAKA INITIALLY CONSIDERED MODIFIED INNOCENT PASSAGE PLAN. QTE PASSAGE REGULATIONS (INCLUDING BANNED ACTS) CONCERNING WARSHIPS OR AIRCRAFT PASSING THROUGH THE STRAITS WOULD BE ESTABLISHED, AND SUSPENSION OF PASSAGE OF SHIPS AND AIRCRAFT, WHICH WOULD VIOLATE THE REGULATIONS COULD BE SECURED. THIS INTERMEDIATE PLAN WAS FORMULATED WITH INNOCENT AND FREE PASSAGE PLANS TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION, AND ALSO WITH PRIOR NOTIFICATION SYSTEM AS PREMISE UNQTE.

3. ARTICLE CONTINUES: QTE IN END, HOWEVER, THIS INTERMEDIATE PLAN WAS SHELVED, FOR FOLLOWING REASONS: (A) WITH RESPECT TO TSUGARU STRAITS, SITUATION WILL BECOME MORE DISADVANTAGEOUS (FROM PRESENT SITUATION) IN FIELDS OF RESTRICTIONS AND SURVEILLANCE, PROBLEM WILL ARISE AS TO PASSAGE OF SUBMARINES AND AIRCRAFT; (B) WITH RESPECT TO TSUSHIMA STRAITS, THERE IS POSSIBILITY OF VIOLATIONS OF TERRITORIAL WATERS AND SKIES. THEREFORE, DEFENSE AGENCY FINALLY DECIDED TO SUPPORT INNOCENT PASSAGE FOR REASONS ADVANTAGEOUS TO NATIONAL DEFENSE. UNQTE.

4. REPORT CONCLUDES THAT LOS COORDINATING OFFICE IN FONOFF WOULD FIND YAMANAKA VIEW DIFFICULT TO ACCEPT, AND THEREFORE THAT PROBLEM WOULD HAVE TO BE RESOLVED AT CABINET LEVEL.

5. COMMENT: AS CHARGE INCIDATED TO PROF. MOORE, EMBASSY WILL CONTINUE TO MONITOR STRAITS PROBLEM CLOSELY. POL COUNSELOR HAS SOUGHT APPOINTMENT WITH SUGIHARA TO DISCUSS PRESS REPORTS OF YAMANAKA'S VIEWS, OUTCOME OF WHICH WE WILL REPORT PROMPTLY. EMBASSY IS ALSO PROBING DEFENSE AGENCY TO DETERMINE THEIR VIEWS MORE PRECISELY. SHOESMITH

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